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CROSLAND

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY
KISSINGER TO FOREIGN SECRETARY CROSLAND

2. QUOTE. DEAR TONY:

I WANT TO EXPRESS TO YOU OUR DEEP CONCERN IN THE UNITED STATES THAT SOUTH AFRICA MIGHT BE SUSPENDED FROM MEMBERSHIP IN THE IAEA OR HAVE ITS CREDENTIALS DENIED AT THE FORTHCOMING 20TH GENERAL CONFERENCE IN RIO, OR AT THE RELATED BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETINGS. SUCH A DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE A SERIOUS SETBACK TO OUR CONTINUING EFFORTS TO HALT FURTHER PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

SOUTH AFRICAN SUSPENSION WOULD, IN EFFECT, DEAL A SERIOUS BLOW TO OUR EFFORTS TO BRING ALL SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR

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FACILITIES UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS. WE ARE PLANNING A

STRONG DEMARCHE TO IAEA MEMBER NATIONS EMPHASIZING THE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES WHICH COULD FOLLOW THE SUSPENSION OF SOUTH AFRICA FROM THE IAEA.

WE LOOK FOR PARALLEL ACTION ON YOUR PART, GIVEN THE GRAVITY OF THE PROBLEM. I KNOW THIS WILL BE A TOUGH FIGHT,

BUT IT IS CERTAINLY WORTH MAKING. WARM REGARDS, HENRY
A. KISSINGER. UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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